



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Public Works

Date: October 22, 2013

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Subject: **Cooperative Construction Agreement with MNDOT for Mississippi River Trail**

Recommendation:

Approve a resolution authorizing the execution of a Cooperative Construction Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MNDOT) for MNDOT and its contractors to access the City right of way or property for the purpose of installing Mississippi River Trail signs and for the City to maintain these signs upon completion.

Previous Directives:

- February 26, 2013 – Passage of a resolution to express approval and support for the development of the Mississippi River Trail (USBR 45).

Department Information:

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Approved by: _____

Steven A. Kotke, P.E., Director of Public Works

Presenters in Committee: Simon Blenski

Financial Impact

- No financial impact

Community Impact

- City Goals:
 - Livable Communities, Healthy Lives – Active lifestyles, walkable, bikeable, swimmable
 - A City that Works – Streets, bridges, sidewalks, sewers, bike lanes & paths – well managed and well maintained

Supporting Information

On February 26, 2013 Council passed a resolution expressing approval and support for the development of the Mississippi River Trail, or United States Bike Route 45 (USBR 45) within Minneapolis. When fully built out, USBR 45 will be a continuous bicycle route connecting the headwaters of the Mississippi River to the Gulf of Mexico. The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MNDOT) is the local agency leading the implementation of USBR 45 in Minnesota.

Signs identifying USBR 45 in Minneapolis are planned to be installed in the summer of 2014. To allow for the sign installation to occur and to establish sign maintenance responsibilities, MNDOT is requesting that the City authorize the execution of a cooperative construction agreement.

The key parameters of the agreement:

- Provide MNDOT and its contractors access the City right of way or property for the purpose of installing Mississippi River Trail signs, and
- Provide for the City to maintain these signs upon completion.

Public Works recommends approval of a resolution authorizing the execution of the cooperative construction agreement with MNDOT.

RESOLUTION FOR AGREEMENT

IT IS RESOLVED that the City of Minneapolis enter into MnDOT Agreement No. 04425 with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation for the following purposes:

To provide for the State to enter upon City Right of Way to install Mississippi River Trail signing along the designated Mississippi River Trail route on City roadways and for the City to provide for proper maintenance of the route signing. Such work will be conducted under State Project No. 8825-486, on various Trunk Highway routes.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper City Officers are hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the City of Minneapolis, to execute and enter into the agreement with the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation and any amendment to the agreement as set forth and contained in "Minnesota Department of Transportation Agreement No. 04425", a copy of which said agreement was before the City Council and which is made a part hereof by reference.